

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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To correct conflicts between Idaho Code Title 42 Chapter 39 and the minimum Federal regulatory requirements. Minor language changes are also proposed to provide clarification and consistency with the Underground Injection Control rules IDAPA 37.03.03. The proposed changes will satisfy the minimum standards that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has set for the Underground Injection Control Program, which includes the definition of an injection well and removal of the exemption for shallow injection wells that are used for storm water from building roof drains. Failure to correct these conflicts could jeopardize State primacy for the Underground Injection Control Program and the Federal funding for the program. In addition, the proposed amendments will provide clarification and consistency with the Idaho Rules for the construction and Use of Injection Wells regarding the terms shallow injection wells (<18 feet) and deep injection wells (>18 feet).

FISCAL NOTE

No Fiscal Impact

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